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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Naval Operations
Department of the Navy

SUBJECT : Construction and Expansion of [REDACTED]

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1. During recent weeks our representatives have conferred concerning the above subject. The plans and specifications have been discussed in considerable detail and, in addition, consideration has been given to the availability of funds and the adequacy of the facilities of the Department of the Navy to accomplish the Project.

2. The Central Intelligence Agency has an immediate and compelling need for the construction and expansion but has limited facilities to accomplish it. However, the Agency has funds available for the purpose, and it is proposed that there be transferred to the Department of the Navy the sum of [REDACTED] for the early accomplishment of the Project. I have been advised that the Department of the Navy has adequate facilities and is willing to make such facilities available to accomplish this Project, which I believe is sufficiently definite and specific as to its extent and terms.

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3. It is my understanding that the conditions under which the Central Intelligence Agency and the Department of the Navy will proceed with the Project are as follows:

a. The Department of the Navy shall, at the earliest practicable date, supply the necessary facilities in connection with the construction and expansion of [REDACTED]. The Chief of Naval Operations, because of the high security content of this Project, shall take such internal action as is necessary to protect the security aspects of the Project.

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b. The Chief of Naval Operations is authorized to proceed with the construction concerned in accordance with existing plans, specifications, and drawings, which are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this memorandum.

c. The Central Intelligence Agency shall advance to the Department of the Navy the sum of [REDACTED] which sum shall be available for the activities contemplated in this Project.

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In the event any deviations from existing plans, specifications, and drawings are deemed necessary by the Central Intelligence Agency, appropriate arrangements will be made to give reasonable notification to the Department of the Navy, provided that the amount of funds required shall not exceed the amount set forth above.

d. In order to coordinate the related administrative aspects of the Project, it shall be the responsibility of the Department of the Navy to designate the Project and to give the Central Intelligence Agency due notice thereof.

e. The Central Intelligence Agency shall provide appropriate and technically qualified liaison personnel to advise and assist the Department of the Navy in fulfilling the requirements contemplated hereunder. In order to assure current administrative information concerning the Project, the Central Intelligence Agency and the Department of the Navy shall designate appropriate individuals, including legal, fiscal, procurement, and engineering personnel, to carry forward the detailed work incident to the Project. It is contemplated that such coordination will be achieved by direct negotiation and discussion between the respective technical components of the establishments concerned.

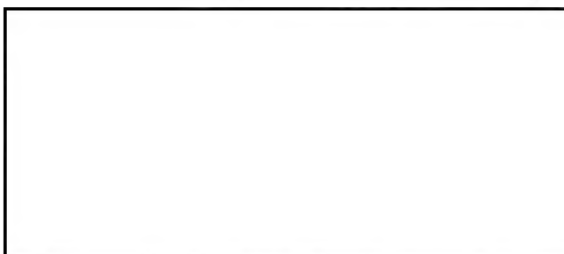
4. If the above is in accordance with your understanding, I propose that this memorandum be considered the basic agreement under which this Project will be conducted. Accordingly, your approval will enable initiation in this Project.

ALLEN W. DULLES
Director

APPROVED:

Chief of Naval Operations
Department of the Navy

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